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Agenda of the Legal and Technical Commission

1. Opening of the session.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.
4. Consideration of the annual reports of contractors submitted pursuant to the Regulations on Prospecting and Exploration for Polymetallic Nodules in the Area.
5. Considerations relating to the rules, regulations and procedures for prospecting and exploration for polymetallic sulphides and cobalt-rich crusts in the Area.
6. Other matters:
   (a) Report on the workshop to standardize the environmental data and information required by the Mining Code and the Guidelines for Contractors;
   (b) Report on the workshop on prospects for international collaboration in marine environmental research to enhance understanding of the deep-sea environment;
   (c) Development of a central data repository;
   (d) Consideration of the report of the Commission to the Council;
   (e) Suggestions for future workshops.

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